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In re the Application of:

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

**Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

The following is in response to the office action mailed September 30, 2003. Applicant hereby requests a four-month extension of time in which to reply to said office action, extending the period for reply from October 30, 2003 to February 29, 2004. A check in the amount of \$740.00 to cover the required fee is enclosed herewith. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2586.

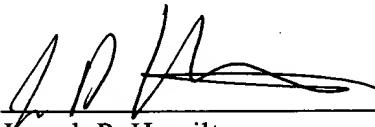
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Applicant hereby elects Group I, claims 1-26, without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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